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Docket No. CS98-106748C

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Anticipated Classification of this application:

Class: _____ Subclass: _____

Prior application:

Examiner: T. Nguyen

Art Unit: 2813



Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

FILING UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

This is a request for filing a



Continuation



Divisional

application under 37 CFR 1.53(b), of pending prior application

serial no. 09/351,237 filed on 7/12/99

of YI XU, JIA ZHEN ZHENG, JAMES C.M. HUI, CHARLES LIN, YIH SHUNG LIN

for GAP FILLING PROCESS IN INTEGRATED CIRCUITS USING LOW DIELECTRIC CONSTANT

MATERIALS

1. Copy of Prior Application as Filed which is Attached



I hereby verify that the attached papers are a copy of what is shown in my records to be the above identified prior application, including 'the oath or declaration originally filed (37 CFR 1.53(b)) (See 6 for drawing requirements.)



Declaration enclosed

2. Amendments



Cancel in this application original claims _____ of the prior application before calculating the filing fee. (At least one original independent claim must be retained for filing purposes.)



A preliminary amendment is enclosed. (Claims added by this amendment have been properly numbered consecutively beginning with the number next following the highest numbered original claim in the prior application.)

EXPRESS MAIL CERTIFICATE

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3/26/01

Date of Deposit

Signature / Date

S. Nguyen

3/26/01

3. Fee Calculation

CLAIMS AS FILED

FOR:	NO. FILED	NO. EXTRA	RATE	FEE
BASIC FEE				\$ 710.
TOTAL CLAIMS	20 -20=	0	x 18 =	\$ 0.
INDEP CLAIMS	3 -3=	0	x 80 =	\$ 0.
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM PRESENTED			+ 260 =	

Filing Fee Calculation \$ 710

4. Method Of Payment of Fees

Charge Account No. 19-0033 in the amount of \$ 710. A duplicate of this request is attached.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the following additional fees which may be required to Account No. 19-0033

37 CFR 1.16 (filing fees and presentation or extra claims)

5. Drawings

Note: Do not check the following box if prior case is not to be abandoned.

Transfer the drawings from the prior application to this application and, subject to item 13 below, abandon said prior application as of the filing date accorded this application. A duplicate copy of this request is enclosed for filing in the prior application file. (May only be used if signed by (1) applicant (2) assignee of record or (3) attorney or agent of record authorized by 37 CFR 1.138 and before payment of issue fee.)

New drawings are enclosed

formal

Informal

6 Priority - 35 U.S.C. 119

Priority of application serial no. _____ Filed on _____ in _____ is claimed under 35 U.S.C. 119.

The certified copy has been filed in prior application serial no. _____ filed on _____

7. Assignment

The prior application is assigned of record to
CHARTERED SEMICONDUCTOR MANUFACTURING LTD.

8. Power of Attorney

X

The power of attorney in the prior application is to **GEORGE O. SAILE, REG. NO. 19,572**

- a. X The power appears in the original papers in the prior application
- b. Since the power does not appear in the original papers, a copy of the power in the prior application is enclosed.
- c. A new power has been executed and is attached.
- d. X Address all future communications to

**George O. Saile
20 McIntosh Drive
Poughkeepsie, N.Y. 12603**

9. Maintenance of copendency of Prior Application

(This item must be complete and the papers filed if the period set in the prior application has run)

A petition, fee and response has been filed to extend the term in the pending prior application until

Please abandon the prior application when the petition for extension of time in that application is granted and when this application is granted a filing date so as to make this application copending with said prior application.

I hereby declare further that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

Stephen B. Ackerman, Reg. No. 37,761

Type name of person signing



Signature

Inventor

Assignee of complete interest

Person authorized to sign on behalf of assignee

X

Attorney or agent of record

March 26, 2001

Date

20 McIntosh Drive

P.O. Address of Signatory

Poughkeepsie, NY 12603

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FEE TRANSMITTAL

for FY 2001

Patent fees are subject to annual revision.

TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT (\$ 110)

Complete if Known

Application Number	
Filing Date	
First Named Inventor	Yi Xu
Examiner Name	T. Nguyen
Group Art Unit	2813
Attorney Docket No.	CS08-107/108/109 C

METHOD OF PAYMENT

1. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge indicated fees and credit any overpayments to:

Deposit Account Number **19-0033**
Deposit Account Name **George O. Saine**

Charge Any Additional Fee Required Under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17

Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

2. Payment Enclosed:

Check Credit card Money Order Other

FEE CALCULATION (continued)

3. ADDITIONAL FEES

Large Entity Fee Code (\$)	Small Entity Fee Code (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
105	130	205 65 Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
127	50	227 25 Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
139	130	139 130 Non-English specification	
147	2,520	147 2,520 For filing a request for <i>ex parte</i> reexamination	
112	920*	112 920* Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
113	1,840*	113 1,840* Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
115	110	215 55 Extension for reply within first month	
116	390	216 195 Extension for reply within second month	
117	890	217 445 Extension for reply within third month	
118	1,390	218 695 Extension for reply within fourth month	
128	1,890	228 945 Extension for reply within fifth month	
119	310	219 155 Notice of Appeal	
120	310	220 155 Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
121	270	221 135 Request for oral hearing	
138	1,510	138 1,510 Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
140	110	240 55 Petition to revive - unavoidable	
141	1,240	241 620 Petition to revive - unintentional	
142	1,240	242 620 Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
143	440	243 220 Design issue fee	
144	600	244 300 Plant issue fee	
122	130	122 130 Petitions to the Commissioner	
123	50	123 50 Petitions related to provisional applications	
126	240	126 240 Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
581	40	581 40 Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
146	710	246 355 Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))	
149	710	249 355 For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))	
179	710	279 355 Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
169	900	169 900 Request for expedited examination of a design application	
Other fee (specify) <i>Statutory Disclaimer</i>			110.

SUBTOTAL (2) (\$)

**or number previously paid, if greater. For Reissues, see above

Reduced by Basic Filing Fee Paid SUBTOTAL (3) (\$ 110.)

SUBMITTED BY

Complete if applicable

Name (Print/Type)	Stephen B. Arberman	Registration No. (Attorney/Agent)	87,710	Telephone	845-452-5863
Signature	<i>S. B. Arberman</i>			Date	March 26, 2001

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